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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. A copy of the listed document that is not a U.S. patent document, is attached.

The concise explanation of relevance for the non-English document is provided in the English abstract attached to that document, and in the cited U.S. counterpart.

Applicant advises that the document submitted herewith was first cited, in any foreign counterpart of the present application, in an Office Action dated February 15, 2008, in the Japanese counterpart of the present application. Accordingly, no fee is believed to be due; however, please charge any amount believed to be due, and credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 06-1205.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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